

## Extending the lifecycle of industrial packaging

Ms. Bonnie Hriczko
Removal Action Branch
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II
2890 Woodbridge Avenue, MS-211
Edison, New Jersey 08837

Re; Request for Information Pursuant to Section104 of CERCLA
Superior Barrel and Drum Site, Elk, Gloucester County, New Jersey

Dear Ms. Hriczko

Please find attached answers to a questionnaire regarding the relationship of National Container Group with Superior Barrel and Drum. If more information is required please contact me by mail at our Chicago address. I can also be reached by phone at 312-286-8495. These answers have been provided to Mr. William Tucker as well.

Sincerely,

Mike Porreca, COO.

National Container Group, LLC.



- 1. General Information about the Company
  - a. National Container Group, LLC.
  - b. Limited Liability Company
  - c. Mike Chorpash, President and CEO; 3620 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, IL 60632 Kate Graue, Vice President; 3620 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, IL 60632 Mike Porreca, Chief Operating Officer; 3620 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, IL60632
  - d. A subsidiary of:

Mauser, USA

Jeff Simmonds, President and CEO; 35 C Cotters Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Elizabeth Miller, Treasurer; 35 C Cotters Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Siegfried Weber, Executive Vice President of Sales; 35 C Cotters Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816

- e. A successor of :

  National Container Services, founded in 1994. The officers were the same then as now.
- f. N.A.
- 2. a. The nature of our business since 1994 has been the reconditioning of plastic drums that were collected from local businesses, typically within 350 miles of Chicago. The company was sold to Mauser in 2004 and the name was changed to NCG (National Container Group) at that time. b. From 1994 to 2004, containers were collected on our fleet and then washed with hot water, rinsed, dried and leak tested. Minimal amounts of acetone and dilimonene were used to remove exterior glues and stains. Containers were then returned to the same company that provided them or sold to others for filling of chemicals, dyes, oils, etc. Our company uses small amounts of caustic soda to keep wash solution at a neutral pH, some ferric chloride and lime for the treatment of wash water before discharging to the POTW. We produced no chemicals, only used plastic drums. In the late 1990's a need for the cleaning of IBC's came around, as this container was showing up as a substitute for plastic drums. We began washing those as well. The primary difference was we no longer used our fleet but rather common carriers and reverse logistics became built in. The wash process did not change and we continued to use ONLY water as a wash solution. Acetone is still used on label plates along with dilimonene. Our waste stream consists of solids removed from wash solutions through chemical precipitation and then dewatered with a pre-coat filter. These solids are landfilled as a special industrial non-hazardous waste.
- 3. Company's Relationship to Superior Barrel and Drum
  - a. Since our inception, our records indicate that we have never conducted business with Superior Barrel and Drum (SBD). They have never sold to us nor have we ever sold to them. They do not show up in any of our account searches. We have never exchanged product and in fact have not heard of them until the receipt of your letter.
  - b. None of our facilities has ever had a relationship with SBD
  - c. N.A.

- 4.
- a. N.A.
- b. N.A.
- 5. The balance of the questions are not applicable to NCG and so it seems unnecessary to continue. As stated earlier we have no history with SBD and have never had business relations with them to the best of our knowledge. I am attaching the certification of answers to this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Mike Porreca, COO.

**National Container Group, LLC.** 

## CERTIFICATION OF ANSWERS TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Superior Barrel and Drum Site, Elk, Gloucester County, New Jersey

State of <u>Kupers</u>:

County of <u>Cook</u>:

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document (response to EPA Request for Information) and all documents submitted herewith, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete, and that all documents submitted herewith are complete and authentic unless otherwise indicated. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. I am also aware that I am under a continuing obligation to supplement my response to EPA's Request for Information if any additional information relevant to the matters addressed in EPA's Request for Information or my response thereto should become known or available to me.

MIKE PORRECA
NAME (print or type)

TITLE (print or type)

SIGNATURE

Sworn to before me this 3 pv day of Sept, 2014

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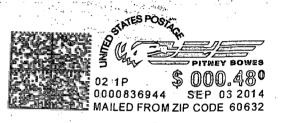
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